

**PATENT**  
**7393/84118**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants: DE MEUTER et al.                      Confirmation: 1058  
Serial No.: 10/509,835                              Art Unit: 1794  
Filed: September 30, 2004                      Examiner: N. Dees  
For: Sugar-free hard coatings prepared from  
liquid maltitol comprising DP<sub>4</sub>+fraction

**AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**July 1, 2008**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed April 4, 2008, please amend the above-identified application as indicated below, and consider the remarks which follow:

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.